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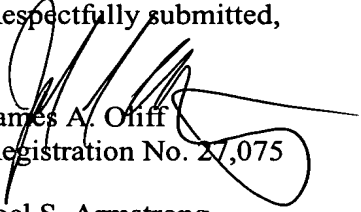
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- ☒ 3. English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references 4 and 5 are attached hereto.
- ☒ 4. A computer-generated English translation of the following Japanese references has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([<http://www.jpo.go.jp>]), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 4 and 5.

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